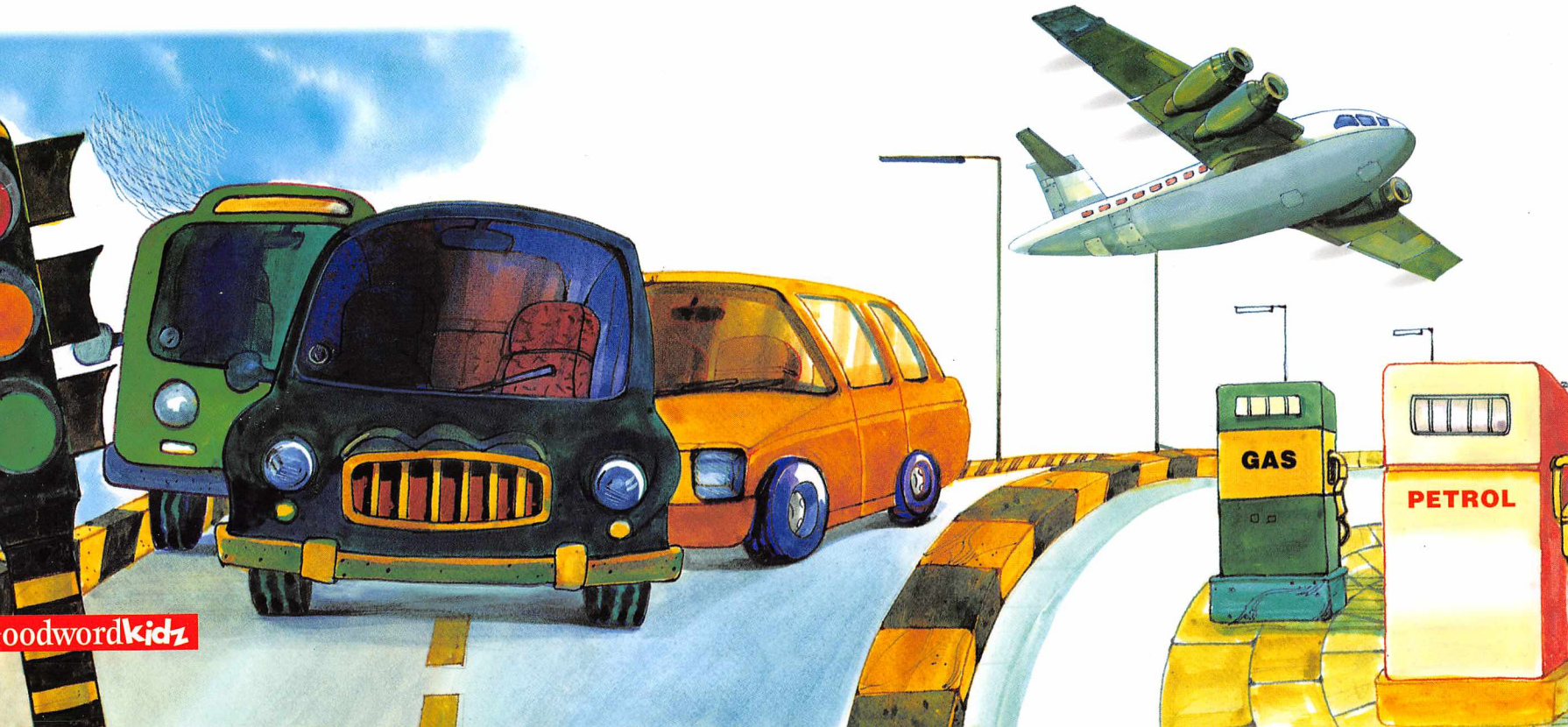
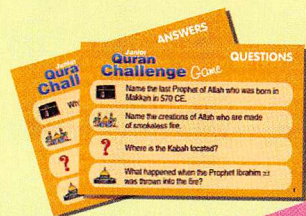
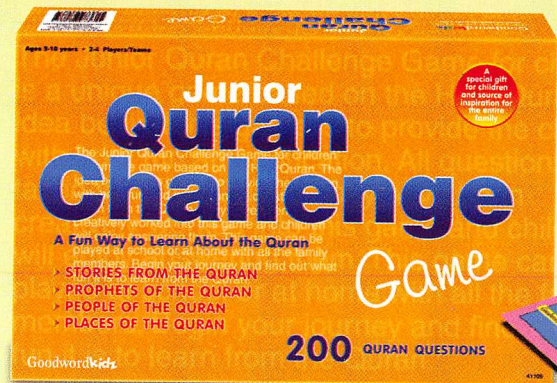


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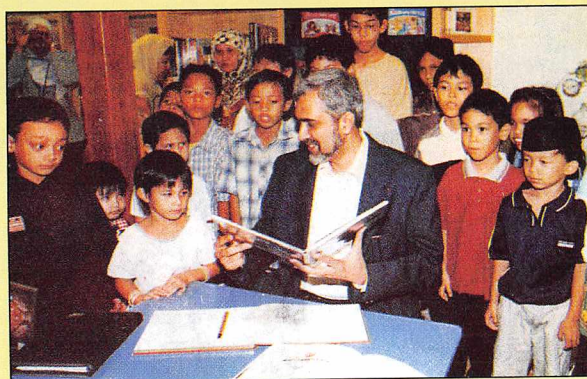




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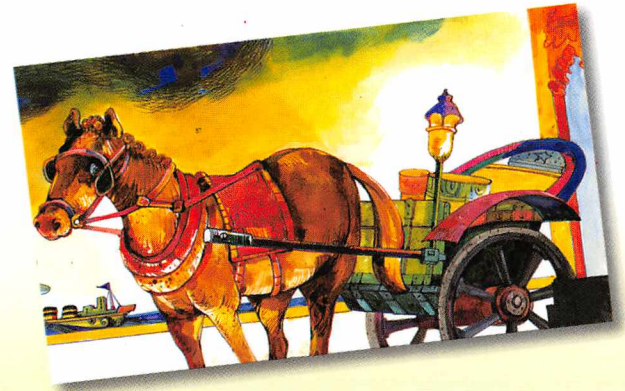
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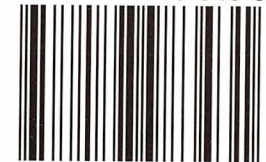
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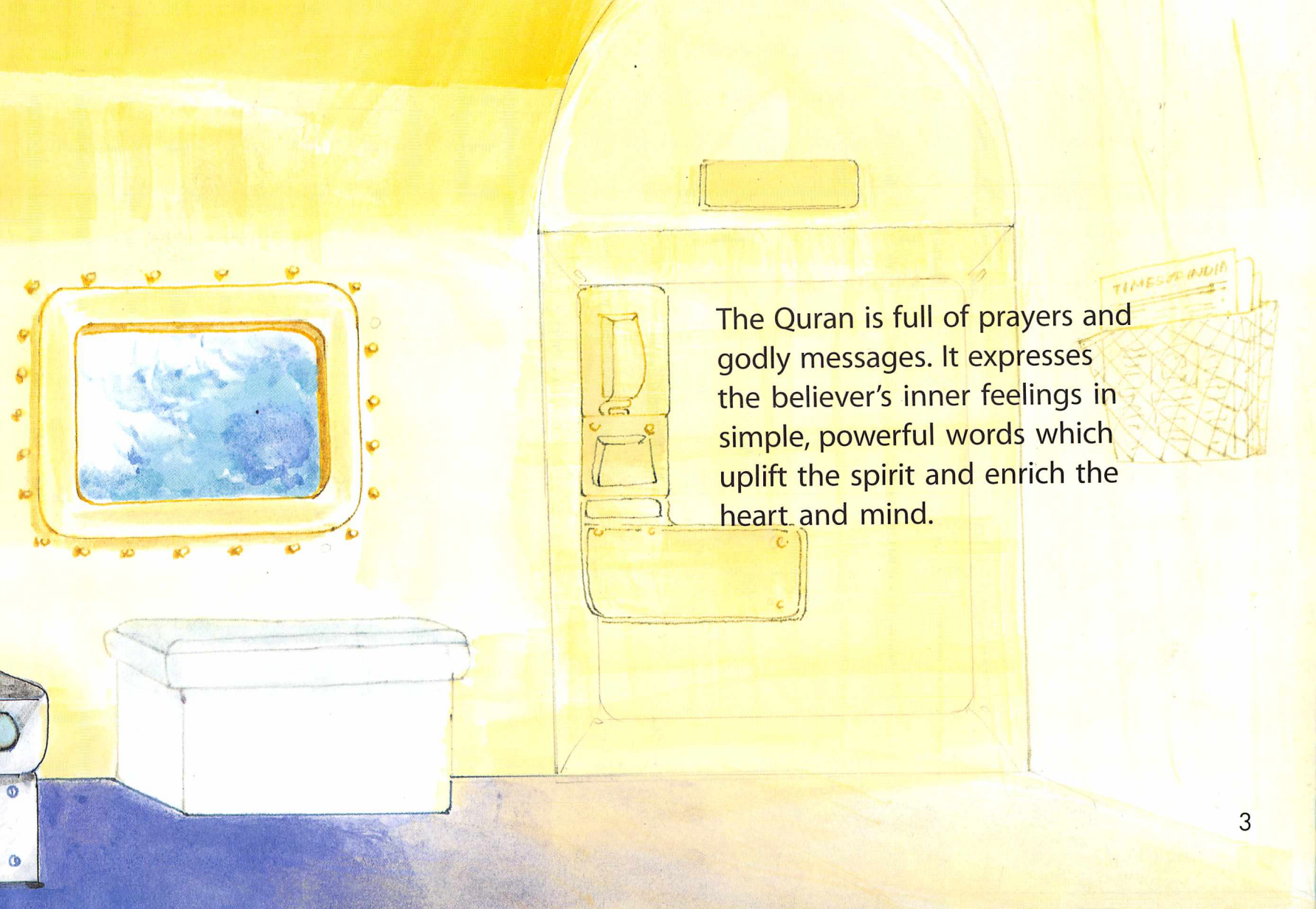
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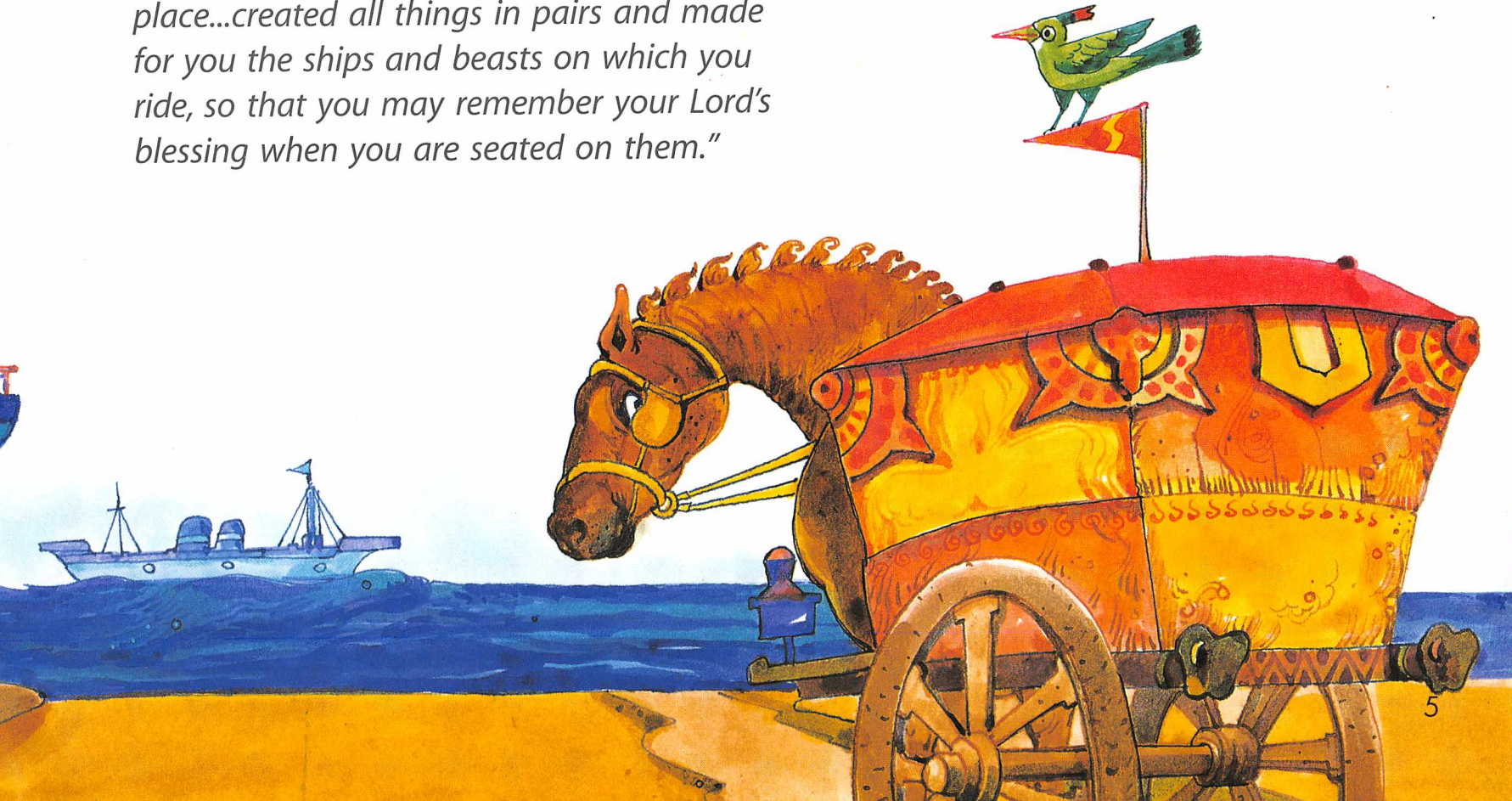


The Quran is full of prayers and godly messages. It expresses the believer's inner feelings in simple, powerful words which uplift the spirit and enrich the heart and mind.

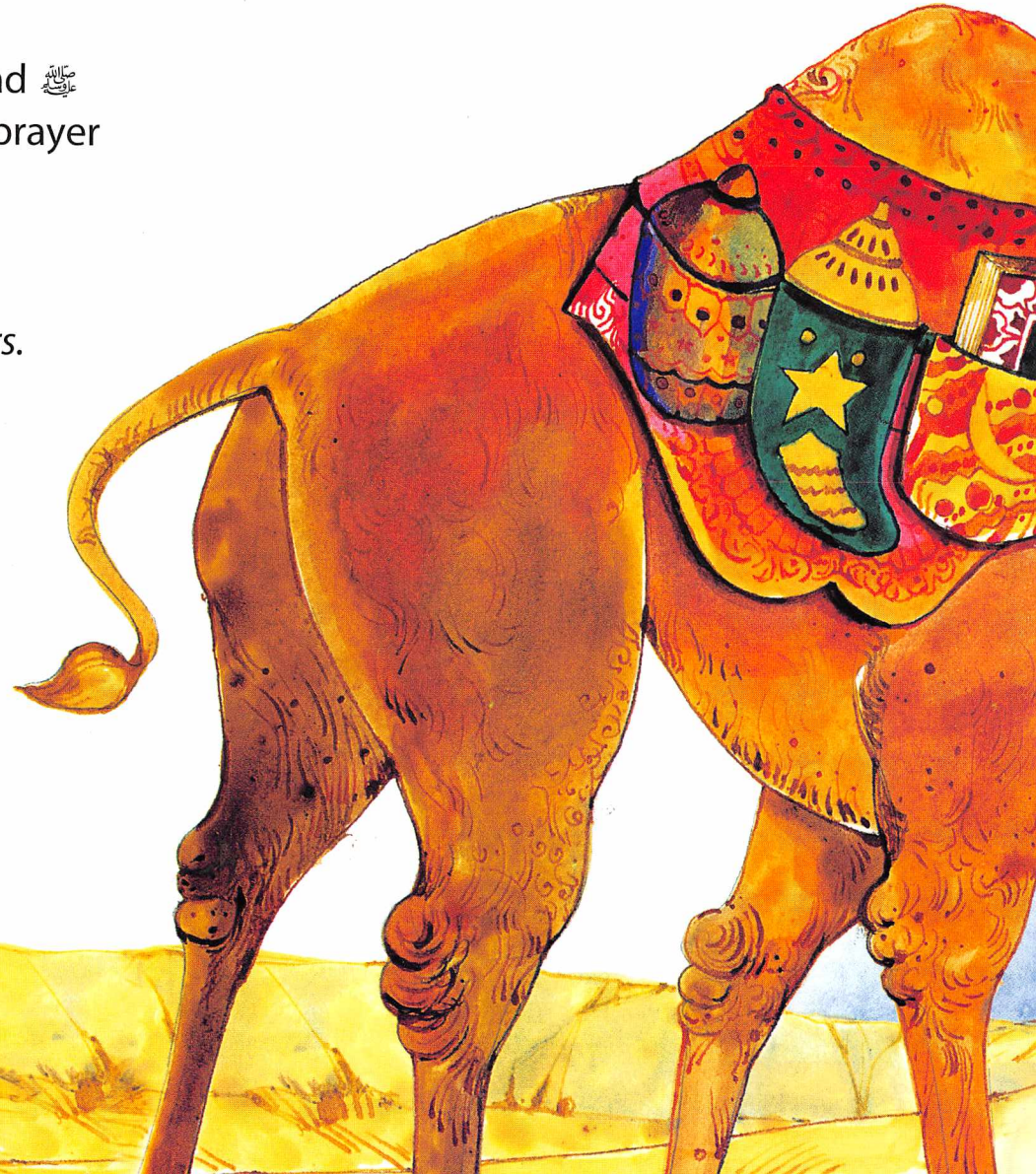




The Quran reminds us to say our prayers while on a journey:  
*"It is He who made the earth a resting place...created all things in pairs and made for you the ships and beasts on which you ride, so that you may remember your Lord's blessing when you are seated on them."*



Therefore, the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ would often recite the following prayer while riding a camel or a horse:  
*"Glory be to Him, who has made these (animals) serve us, for we ourselves could not be their masters. To our Lord we shall all return."*





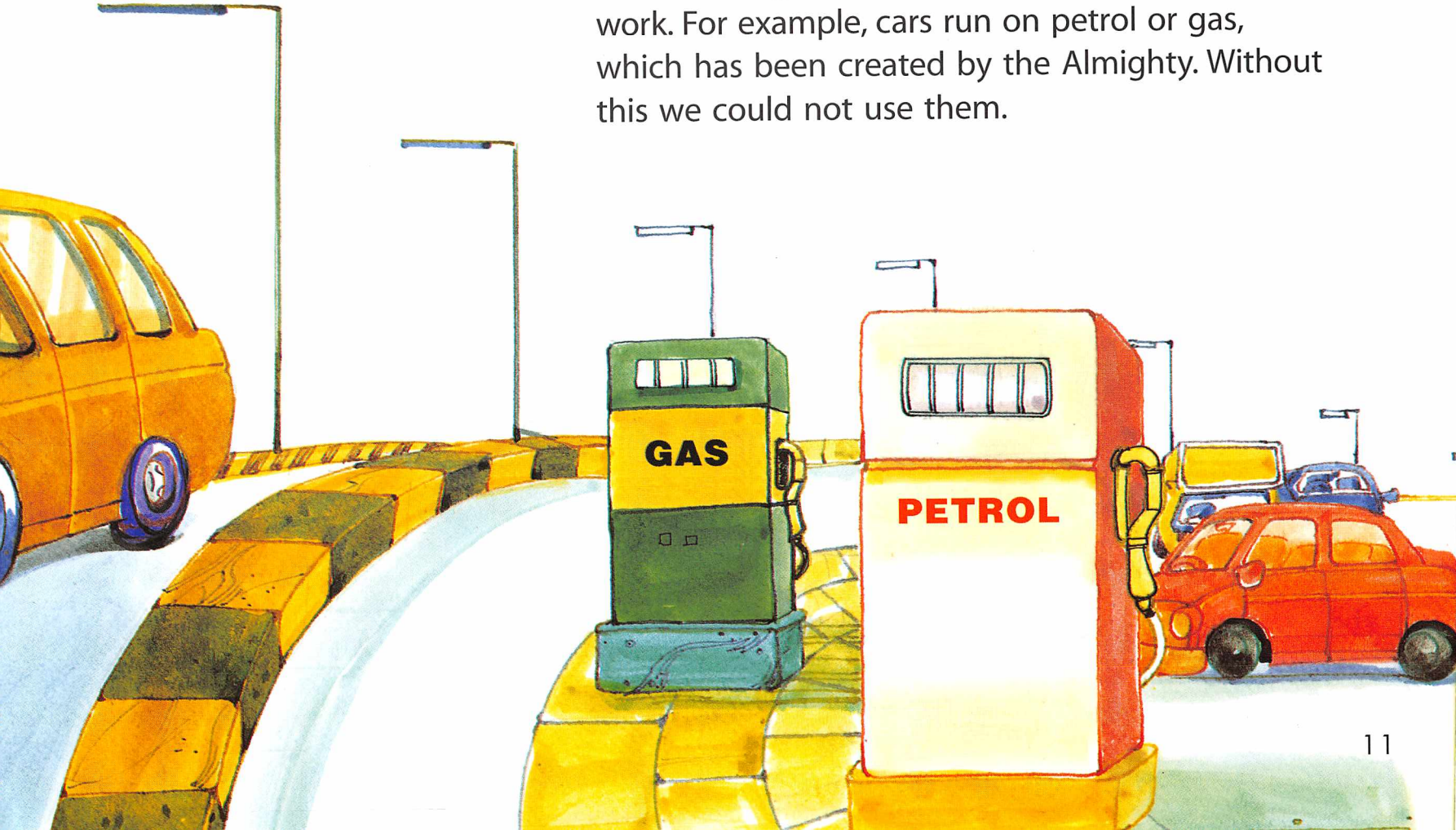




This prayer reminds us that all means of going from one place to another, whether animals such as horses or camels, or machines such as cars, aeroplanes or ships, are actually a blessing from the Almighty.



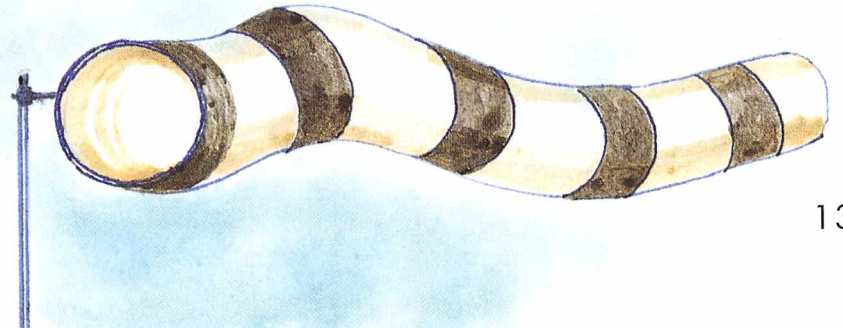
With the help of the forces in nature that the Creator has given, we are able to make them work. For example, cars run on petrol or gas, which has been created by the Almighty. Without this we could not use them.



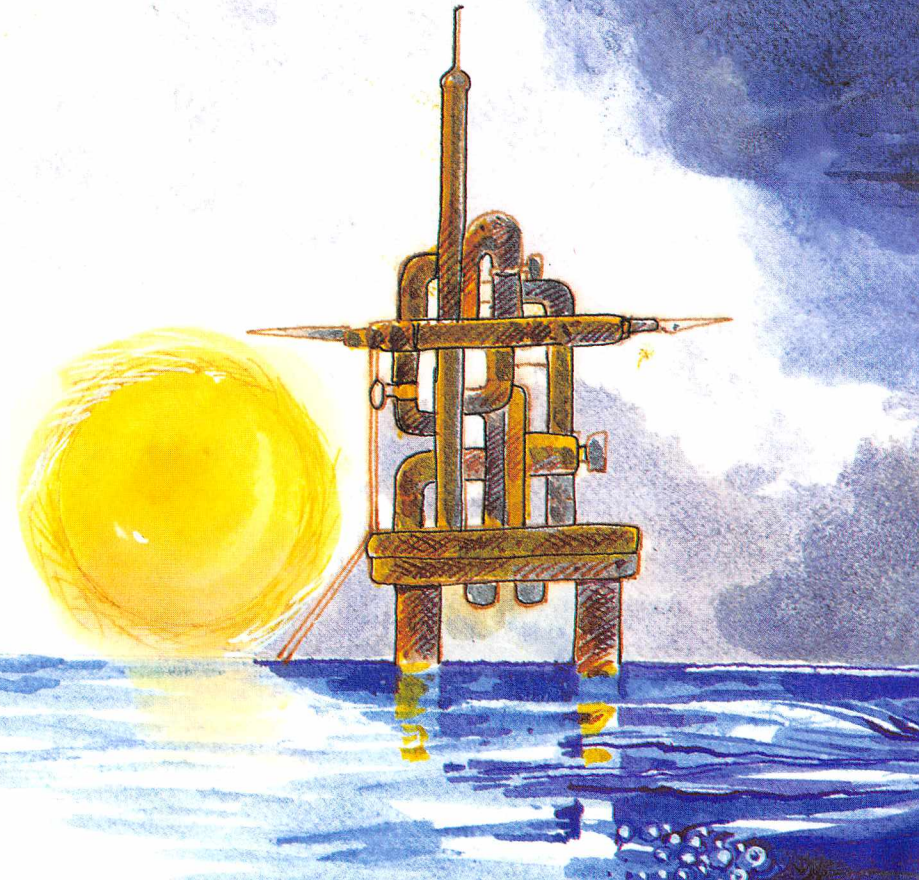




Similarly, aeroplanes fly in the sky, thanks to a kind of force found in the air. Without this force, no aeroplanes could fly.



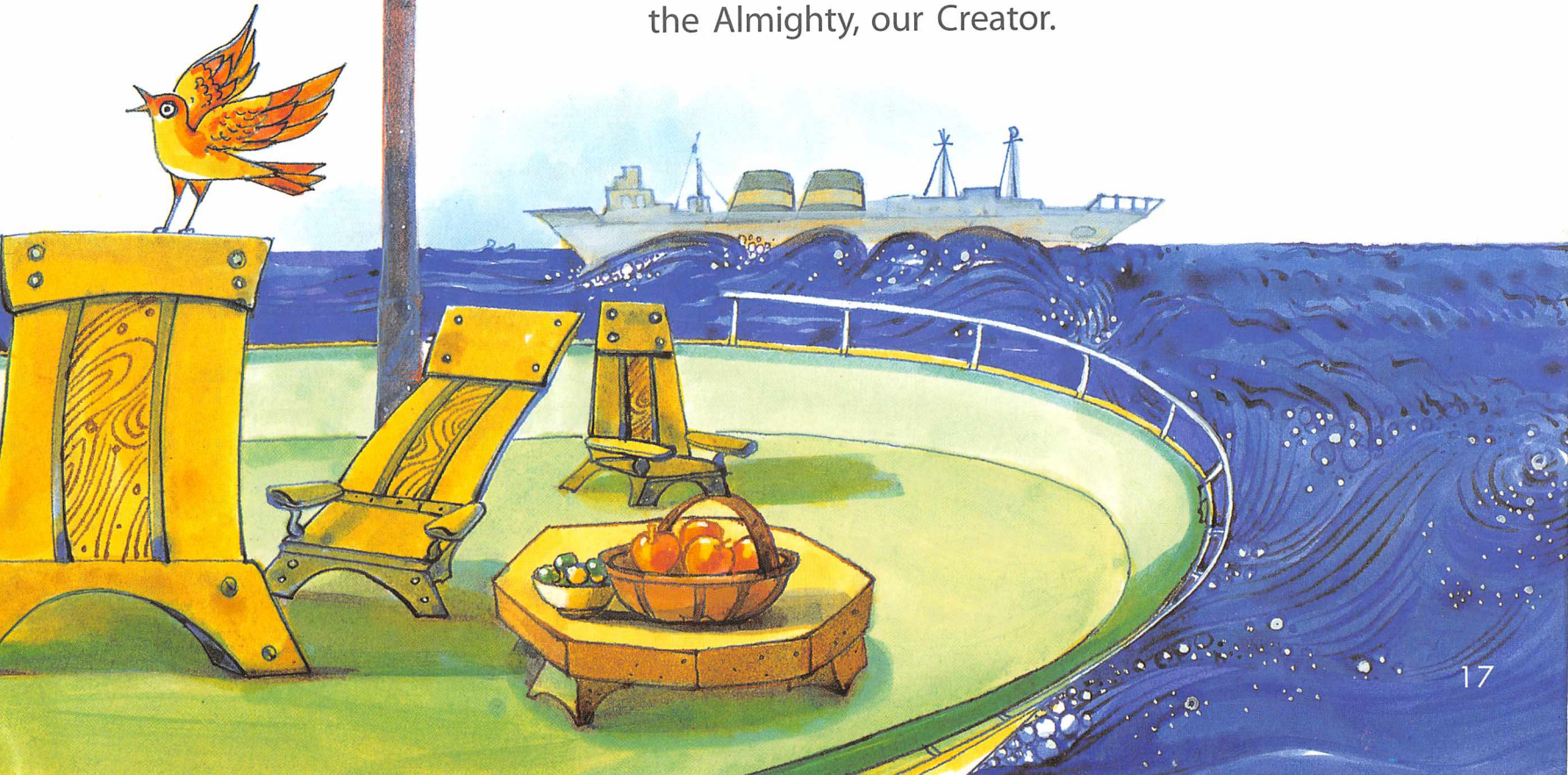
We should thank Allah for all these blessings with a sense of awe, as man could not do anything if the Creator had not provided all the natural resources which we use.



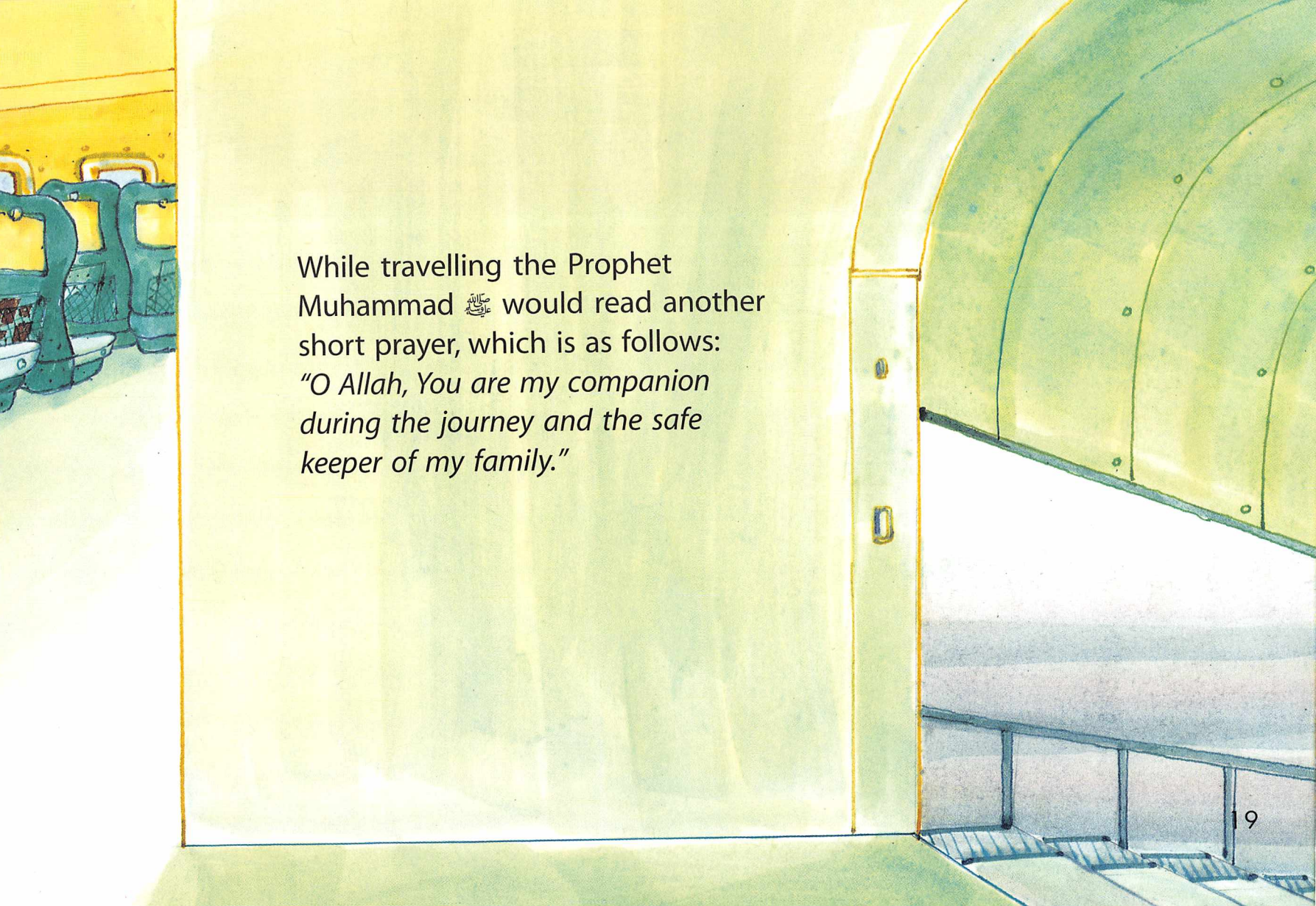




Therefore, whenever we sit in a car or on board a ship we should recite the traveller's prayer. This shows that we realize that all the things that we possess are blessings from the Almighty, our Creator.





The illustration shows the interior of a train carriage. On the left, there are rows of green seats with white seats visible in the background. The walls are a light yellowish-green. On the right, there is a large window with a curved top. The window shows a view of a landscape with a blue sky and a brownish ground. The floor is a light green color.


While travelling the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ would read another short prayer, which is as follows:  
*“O Allah, You are my companion during the journey and the safe keeper of my family.”*



سُبْحَانَ الَّذِي سَخَّرَ لَنَا هَذَا وَمَا كُنَّا لَهُ  
مُقْرِنِينَ وَإِنَّا إِلَىٰ رَبِّنَا لَمُنْقَلِبُونَ

Subhan alladhi sakhkhara-lana hadha, wa ma  
kunna lahu muqrineen wa inna ila rabbina la munqaliboon.

*Glory be to Him, who has made these serve us,  
for we ourselves could not be their masters.  
To our Lord we shall all return.*

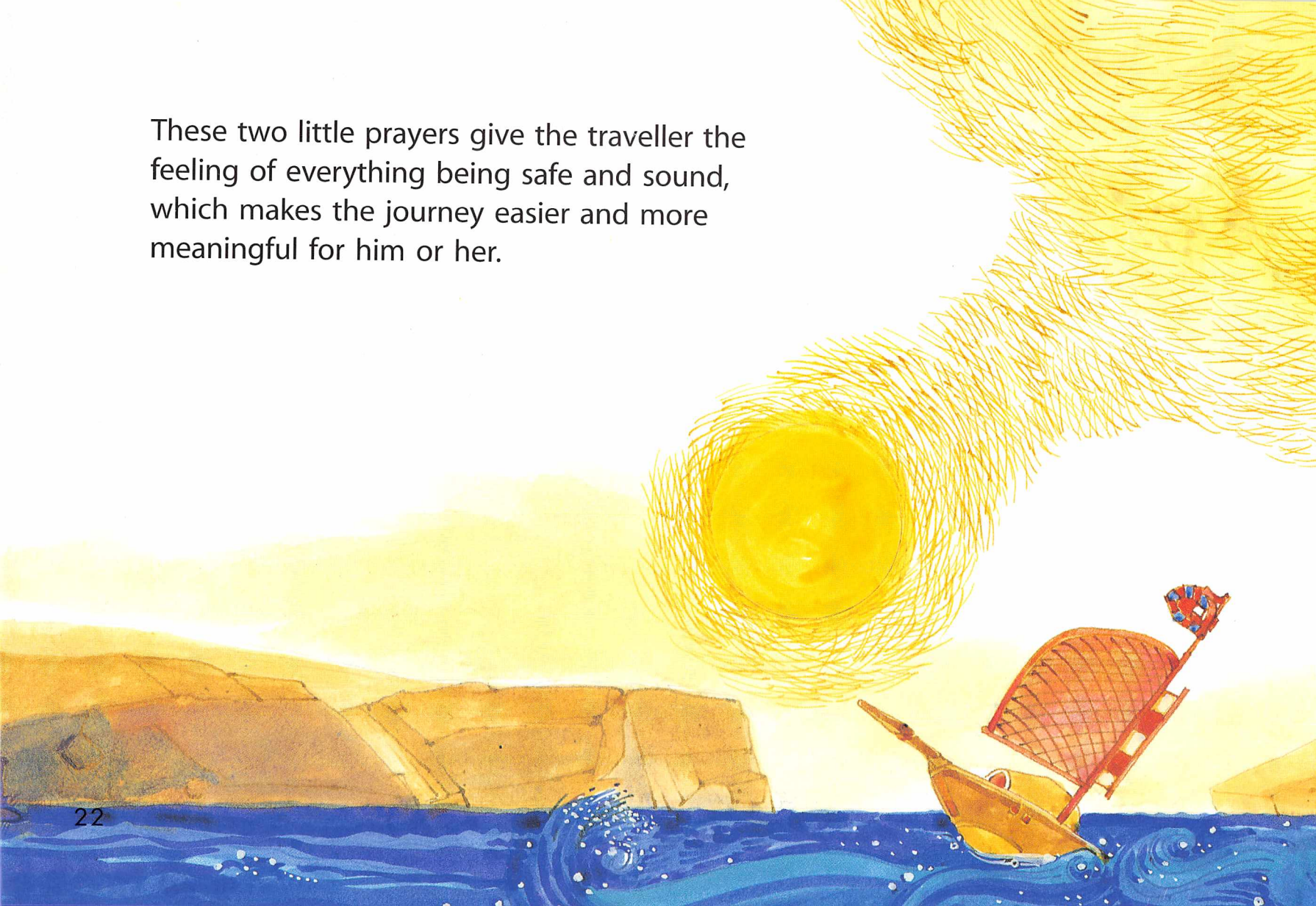


اللَّهُمَّ أَنْتَ الصَّاحِبُ فِي السَّفَرِ،  
وَ الْخَلِيفَةُ فِي الْأَهْلِ

Allahumma antas-sahibu fis-safar,  
wal khalifatu fil-ahl.

*O Allah, You are my companion during  
the journey and the safe keeper of my family.*

These two little prayers give the traveller the feeling of everything being safe and sound, which makes the journey easier and more meaningful for him or her.







### Find Out More

To know more about the message and meaning of Allah's words, look up the following parts of the Quran which tells the traveller's prayer.

*Surah al-Zukhruf 43:14*